

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

Swampscott, MA 01907

Attendance: Chairman, Naomi Dreeben, Vice Chair, Laura Spathanas, Selectman Don Hause, Patrick Jones, Peter Spellios, and Interim Town Administrator, Gino Cresta.

Presentation:

Selectman Dreeben presented a framed certificate of appreciation and spoke a few words about Mark Mahoney and Nelson Kessler on their years of service to the Town and to the Conservation Committee.

Resident Comment:

Angela Ippolito, resident and Chairman of the Planning Board spoke on the White Court property. Ms. Ippolito suggested a committee be formed in regards to obtaining / purchasing the property for the Town. Ms. Ippolito spoke on the critical part which is the financing. Ms. Ippolito spoke on the property past and present and how it should / could be maintained as a Town Property and what ideas and or thoughts could bring this property as a Town owned piece of history and land.

Selectman Spathanas asked if anyone has reached out recently to the owners, the Sisters of Mercy on trying to purchase their land for the Town.

Selectman Jones thinks it a good idea and stated that time is of the essence to get things going.

Selectman Spellios spoke of a Town Warrant Article for this property on for the next Spring Town Meeting. Selectman Spellios voiced his confidence in Ms. Ippolito on spearheading this committee and plan.

Appointment:

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to appoint Billy Waters recommended by Gino Cresta, Interim Town Administrator as the Harbor Master subject to certification, seconded by Selectman Spellios.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spellios to appoint Lt. Thomas Stephens of the Swampscott Police Department as a member of the Traffic Study Committee as their representative, seconded by Selectman Spathanas.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to appoint Anne Quagrello, 14 Cedar Road, Swampscott, Mass to the Andrew's Chapel Restoration Committee, seconded by Selectman Jones.

The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to appoint Gina Bush, 37 Highland Street, Swampscott, Mass to the Andrew's Chapel Restoration Committee, seconded by Selectman Jones.

*The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to appoint Sara Hepburn, 15 Hardy Road, Swampscott, Mass to the Cultural Council, seconded by Selectman Jones.*

*The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to appoint Erin Ryan, 7 Tidd Street, Swampscott, Mass to the Cultural Council, seconded by Selectman Jones.*

*Vote of the Board:*

*The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Jones to approve an application for a door to door solicitation from Shazee Dealwis, 24 Batchelder Road, Seabrook NH, 03874, from Comcast, the Swampscott Police Department has approved CORI and fingerprinting, seconded by Selectman Hause.*

*The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to approve a change of new officers and directors for Uno Chicago Grill, 970 Paradise Road, Swampscott, Mass, seconded by Selectman Jones.*

*New / Old Business:*

*Former Traffic Study Committee member Lt. Gary Lord was thanked by Selectman Spellios for his long service and dedication.*

*Selectman Dreeben informed the Board of a documentary to be filmed in Town called the "Heritage" by resident Jason Stadlander.*

*Town Administrator's Report:*

*Gino Cresta, Interim Town Administrator spoke on the following:*

- *Thanked all members of the Board for their encouragement and support during his interim time as the Town Administrator.*
- *DPW worker were recognized on their work on all the recent snow removal in Town over the last week.*

*Selectman's Time:*

*Selectman Dreeben informed the Board and the community that she is pleased to announce she will be running for her second term as a member of the Board of Selectman and would be thank full for everyone's support. Selectman Dreeben thanked all the volunteers for their service to the Town. Selectman Dreeben spoke on an overdose response team that will be holding an educational film for all called "If Only "welcomed for all to attend on March 9, 2017/ coordinated with Mary Wheeler and the Healthy Streets Program from Lynn.*

*Selectman Spathanas announced that she has taken out papers to run for another term on the Board of Selectman and would appreciate everyone's vote. Selectman Spathanas spoke on upcoming exciting things happening in Town and would like to continue to serve the Town. Selectman Spathanas spoke on upcoming events here in Town sponsored by the Recreation Department such as indoor golf clinic, wine tasting, youth summer employment.*

*Selectman Spellios spoke on vacancies on various Boards and encouraged residents to volunteer and he would be available to speak with anyone who might have questions and or concerns regarding volunteering. Selectman Spellios reminded residents that the last day to take out nomination papers to be a Town Meeting member would be March 3, 2017. Selectman Spellios encouraged people to be part of debates and would assist in signing nominations papers. Selectman Spellios supported and encouraged Selectman Spathanas and Selectman Dreeben on their announcement to run for another term on the Board of Selectman, speaking of their commitment, open minds, hard work, and their ability to share knowledge.*

*The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to adjourn meeting, seconded by Selectman Jones.*

*Adjournment:*

*True Attest:*

*Maureen Shultz,  
Administrative Assistant*